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Pope Francis Global Academy



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Dear Pope Francis Global Academy Parents,

With the end of January upon us, this means that **Catholic Schools Week** is here! Catholic Schools Week gives us the opportunity to celebrate all that we have to offer. Please take a moment and talk to your friends and neighbors about our strong academic offerings and invite them to the Open Houses.

As we look ahead to the coming week, here are a few important reminders:

- -Tomorrow, January 24th will be the 8th Grade Graduation Photos. Please make sure that students are dressed appropriately and in accordance with the student handbook.
- -Sunday begins Catholic Schools Week across the Archdiocese. We will begin Catholic Schools Week on Sunday, January 26, 2020, with Mass at our four founding parishes followed by an Open House at each campus. Please see below in the Howler for additional campus-specific information.

Parent Help Needed

If you are available this Sunday to serve as a Parent Ambassador to give tours to prospective parents, or to be a welcomer, at our Open Houses on Sunday, your help is needed at both campuses; please see these links to sign up.

Sign up to volunteer at the North Campus/St. Elizabeth of the Trinity

Sign up to volunteer at the South Campus/PFGA

Parents' Club Volunteers

Parents' Club is also in need of a few more volunteers for next week's Appreciation Lunches at both campuses; if you are able to help with the Student Appreciation Lunch on Monday, January 27th and/or the Teacher Appreciation Lunch on Thursday, January 30th, please sign up via this link: Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Opportunities.

Thank you in advance for your help and support!

North Campus/St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Parent Informational Meeting

There will be an informational Parent Night Meeting with Father Mike on Thursday, January 30th at 7:00 pm in the Mason Orchard Auditorium where parents can learn more about the new school/parish and ask any questions that they may have.

St. Elizabeth of the Trinity Enrollment

As we look forward to next year and the new parish school, Father Mike, the school administration, Kathy Collins from St. Thecla, and the Office of Catholic Schools, have been working to establish the new school's tuition and fee rates for the 2020-2021 school year. Tuition rates and enrollment information will be available in the near future as we are working to finalize information and open a new FACTS account.

South Campus Families' Re-enrollment

Please keep in mind that re-enrollment for the 2020-2021 school year has begun and is 100% online again this year. You can BEGIN HERE.

If you have any questions about re-enrollment, sibling enrollment, or financial aid, please contact Mrs. Jodi Thyen, Director of Admissions and Advancement (jthyen@pfgacademy.org). If you have any questions about academics, please contact either Mr. Argamaso (eargamaso@pfgacademy.or) or me (mkinel@pfgacademy.org) to answer any questions or address any concerns.

Cold Weather Reminders

Here are just a couple of reminders for our families to keep in mind during the winter months:

- Students still go outside for recess, so please make sure that they are dressed in warm gear-including a coat.
- Please do not drop off your students prior to the doors opening at 7:50 a.m.
- Extended Day is available at 6:30 a.m. Monday Friday should you need to drop your child off earlier than 7:45 a.m. The cost is \$6 an hour and prorated for half-hour increments.

Wolf Run T-shirt Sponsors

If you or anyone you know owns a business and would like to be a sponsor of our Wolf Run t-shirts this year, please contact Jodi Thyen at jthyen@pfgacademy.org for additional information.

In closing, I want to take a moment and thank you for your commitment to Catholic education!

Blessings and peace,

Margaret Kinel Head of School

UPCOMING EVENTS

PFGA Website - Please check often as the website contains the most updated information

January 24 - Sweetheart Dance

January 24 - 8th Grade Graduation Photos

January 25 - 8th Grade Confirmation Retreat

January 26 - Open House North Campus 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

- Open House South Campus 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Jan 26 - 27 - Scholastic Book Fair

January 27 - 31 Catholic School's Week - See Parents' Club Section for details

February 7 - Staff Development - NO SCHOOL

February 17 - Presidents' Day - NO SCHOOL

February 21 - End of the 2nd Trimester

February 27 - 8th Grade Photo Retakes & Yearbook Group Photos

February 28 - Report Cards Emailed Home Spirit Day

PARENT NEWS

If you would like to claim tuition payments on your 2019 tax returns, HERE are instructions on how you can print out a summary report. If you have issues doing so, please contact the FACTS customer service line at 866-441-4637.

RE-ENROLLMENT FOR POPE FRANCIS GLOBAL ACADEMY SOUTH

Re-enrolling for current PFGA South families is open for the 2020-21 school year! Enrollment is once again on FACTS and is virtually identical to enrollment last year. There are a couple of re-enrollment incentives again this year, including the \$100 discount on the Enrollment Fee and the \$300 referral bonus. If you have any specific questions about how to get re-enrolled, please contact Jodi Thyen at ithyen@pfgacademy.org.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS AND INCENTIVES ARE HERE.

UPCOMING ADMISSIONS EVENTS AT BOTH CAMPUSES

Please spread the word that we are kicking off "enrollment season" at both Pope Francis Global Academy and at the New School of Sts. Cornelius, Tarcissus, and Thecla with some upcoming tours for prospective parents.

North Campus/New School of SCTT Events - RSVP to KathyCollinsAdmissions@gmail.com

- OPEN HOUSE Sunday, January 26 from 10:30-12:30
- Admissions Tour February 5 from 6-7 pm
- Admissions Tour February 6 from 8:30-9:30 am

South Campus Events - RSVP HERE

- OPEN HOUSE Sunday January 26 from 11:00am -1:00 pm
- Tuesday, February 4 from 6-7 pm
- Wednesday, February 5 from 8:30-9:30 am

OPEN HOUSE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will once again need all hands on deck for BOTH of the Open House events on Sunday, January 26. Both schools could really use the help of parents to promote the events, prepare for the events, help guide tours for prospective families at the events, and man tables at the events. You will earn volunteer hours for any of the jobs you sign up for!

Sign up to volunteer at the North Campus/New School of SCTT

Sign up to volunteer at the South Campus/PFGA

TAX CREDIT SCHOLARSHIP - MATCHING GRANT STILL AVAILABLE ON DONATIONS!

The Illinois State Tax Credit Scholarships are funded through donations made by people who 1.) support Catholic (or any private) schools and 2.) would like a direct tax CREDIT against their Illinois state tax bill. In essence, if you owe the state \$1,000, and donate \$1,000 to one of our schools through this program, you can essentially net out paying the state \$250 instead of \$1,000, and the school gets

\$1,000 in TCS Scholarship money. And, right now, until February 13 (or until the funding for the match runs out) **YOUR GIFT WILL BE TRIPLED** by a very generous matching grant! Please visit our school website or contact Jodi Thyen to learn all the details, regardless of which school you'd like to donate to. Even if your tax burden is small, your impact can be very big! ithyen@pfgacademy.org.

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Best News Sites for Students of All Ages

STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS

North Campus Student Council Happenings

South Campus Student Council Happenings

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

CASINO NIGHT UPDATES

Thanks to all who came out to the Casino Night Kick Off last night. A lot of good connections were made and we're excited about how this is all coming together. But, there is still room for people to help! Still needed are a couple of people to take on key roles the night of the event, as well as more people to help with solicitation of auction and raffle prizes, as well as sponsorships!

Thank you to our first two sponsors!

MR. VO AUTO CLINIC is joining with a Full House Sponsorship and

GALE STREET INN is in with a High Card Sponsorship!

If you can't be on the committee, you can still help out by volunteering with any variety of things. A sign up sheet will be coming out soon!

Casino Night Volunteer Sign Up

Casino Night Invitation

Casino Night - What Can You Do to Help?

Casino Night Prize and Sponsor Solicitation Letter and Form

Purchase Tickets Online HERE!

Ticket Order Form (if you'd rather send in a check)

QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

The Pot is OVER \$23,375

Sonday Molika receives \$100 for choosing #44 and revealing the 5 of Hearts.

Donna Palmer receives a bottle of wine and a \$25 gift certificate to Porretta's. Mad Dog Mario Arena receives a Porretta's hat and a bottle of wine.

Thank you to John Panvino for his generous donation of wine and gift certificates each week on behalf of our school.

Thank you to everyone for your support of our school.

Buy your tickets at either campus office or at Trattoria Porretta.

Available Numbers

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PARENT CLUB NEWS

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK ACTIVITIES SPONSORED BY PARENTS' CLUB

Parents' Club is happy to announce that they will be hosting several events for the kids & staff throughout Catholic Schools Week. The Scholastic Book Fair will be coming to school, the kiddos will be treated to a pizza lunch and we will also be treating the teachers and staff to a delicious lunch. We need lots of volunteers to pull this off so please consider volunteering for a few shifts. All events take place at both campuses. All volunteers must be fully Archdiocese Compliant in order to be in the building during regular school hours Questions? Just ask! parentsclub@pfgacademy.org THANK YOU!!!

Catholic Schools Week Volunteer Opportunities

North Campus Catholic Schools Week Activities

STUDENT APPRECIATION LUNCH MONDAY JANUARY 27TH

Student Appreciation Lunch

ANNUAL PARENTS' CLUB SWEETHEART DANCE IS JANUARY 24!

The Sweetheart Dance tradition continues this year on Friday night, January 24 at the Pacocha Center at St. Cornelius. Complete information is **HERE**.

- Purchase tickets for a pair (1 adult/1 student) HERE.
- Purchase tickets for a family HERE.
- Volunteer Sign Up HERE.

SHOUT OUTS

SPORTS NEWS

Come on out to support our sports teams, if you can, as they represent our school in the community!

Athletics schedules



FOUNDING PARISH EVENTS

ST. PASCAL 2ND GRADE COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION IMPORTANT DATES

St. Pascal 2ND Grade Important Dates

ST. PASCAL CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Every Sunday during 10 AM Mass

ST. TARCISSUS CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word

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Our Lady of Victory

St. Cornelius

St. Pascal

St. Tarcissus

AROUND TOWN

Trinity Pack the Gym





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